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In re application of:

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

A petition to extend the period of response for three months; and
 Please amend the specification and/or claims as follows